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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...of X committee, you'd have a little trouble.

SENATOR STUHR: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Engel, on the Landis amendment.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, served on the county board in Dakota County for one term and I agree with everyone here that certainly on a three-man board or a three-person board is not the right way. Ours was five man, a five person board, and that makes it much easier as far as getting things done. However, when...I also recall when TERC was formed here in the Legislature, I can't remember what year it was, I thought it was a great thing for the people in our area because they had another avenue to go because they'd come to the board, when we served as the board of equalization. they weren't satisfied, their only recourse was to go to district court, and so that's how I sold this TERC back to my constituents is that for a minimum fee they could appeal to the TERC board and, of course, it was voluntary. I do understand it's voluntary, so if I'm wrong, please let me know because they could bypass...I understand they could bypass TERC and go directly to court, but that's my understanding. But I said this is another avenue you can go, because so many people did not go to district court because of the expense of it. So I do believe that when we created TERC, I thought we did a good job. only thing is is insofar as increasing the board from three to five, I don't have a problem with that. As far as whether they need to be attorneys or not, that's neither here nor there. don't know whether that's particularly necessary. It could be someone with expertise in other areas, but the things is is if we're going to create another court on top of TERC, then we're...I think we're going backwards instead of forward. that amendment, I think, is coming up from what I understand. But if we created TERC, insofar as I...and another thing in my area so far from what I'm hearing, it's working fine in my particular area. Perhaps in some areas it isn't, but the thing is if we...if TERC is not doing what it is supposed to be doing and we're having these huge problems with TERC, I think we,